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In re the application of:

Applicant

ALLEN, F. Burke et al.

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

This Amendment and Response is in reply to the Office Action mailed April 11, 2005, concerning the above captioned application, setting a shortened statutory response date of July 11, 2005. Applicant's hereby request a one month extension of time in which to respond and enclose the requisite fee for such extension. Any additional fees due may be charged to deposit account No. 18-2284.

The style of this Amendment and follows the Notice in the <u>Federal Register</u> of June 30, 2003 (68 FR 38611-38630) amending 37 CFR 1.121.

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